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# Lawsuit aims to stop NYPD from surveilling Muslims

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# Court case seeks to stop all surveillance of NY Muslims

- ▶ Lawsuit hopes to stop police from spying on Muslim groups
- ▶ Informant claims he was instructed to report on college group
- ▶ NYPD rejects accusations, says it follows letter of the law

The New York Civil Liberties Union filed papers yesterday as part of *Handschu v. Special Services Division*, the federal court case seeking to stop the NYPD from carrying out surveillance of Muslims.

NYPD Commissioner Ray Kelly has repeatedly defended the surveillance program. At a lecture to the Carnegie Council last September, he emphasized that undercover officers do not spy without probable cause of current or impending wrongdoing.

Not so, said Shamiur Rahman, a Queens resident of Bangladeshi descent who was recruited as an informant by an officer in January of last year.

Rahman delivered photos to the NYPD of people worshipping at mosques and "recorded cell-phone numbers from the sign-up sheet of people at Islamic instruction classes."

He was also told to inform on the Muslim Students Association at John Jay College.

NYPD handler "Steve" reportedly told Rahman that the police did not suspect the MSA of any wrongdoing and that "they just wanted to make sure."

"According to my NYPD boss Steve," Rahman said, "the NYPD considers being a religious Muslim a terrorism indicator."



▶ Protesters march Sunday in response to reports of NYPD surveillance programs.

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## Informants

Awad said that people have reported being "approached by members of law enforcement in an intimidating manner, suggesting they either work with law enforcement or deal with increased scrutiny from law enforcement." He said such scrutiny could come in many forms, from being placed on no-fly lists to trouble for family members in the process of obtaining citizenship. Awad tries to tell these people that they are under no legal obligation to comply and that such pressure is "inconsistent with what our Constitution guarantees."

## Line of defense

Deputy Commissioner Paul Browne rejects these accusations, insisting "the NYPD adheres to the Constitution in all it does, and specifically the Handschu guidelines in the deployment of undercover officers."

Browne noted that "terrorists have tried to attack New York City on 16 different occasions that we know of" since 9/11. According to Browne, the NYPD has foiled plots to attack the Brooklyn Bridge and the Federal Reserve Bank, and to kill soldiers coming home to New York.

## Quoted

**"You expect discussions with religious leaders to be confidential. This isn't happening in other communities. Other communities wouldn't tolerate it."**

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## How the community copes

In her declaration in the court filings, Executive Director of the Arab-American Association of New York Linda Sarsour recounted a man telling her, "I don't know whether the guy praying next to me is an informer or not."

▶ She told him she "could not reassure him that people in the mosque

might not be informers."

▶ Muneer Awad, spokesman for the Council on Islamic Relations, pointed to this sentiment as indicative of a violation of Muslim New Yorkers' experiences.

▶ "You expect discussions with religious leaders to be confidential," Awad insisted. "This isn't happening in other communities. Other communities wouldn't tolerate it."



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## In the news

### Three arrested in Bx murder

Police were called to 2132 Mohegan Ave. on Thursday at 6:07 p.m., where they found 33-year-old Daryl Fontnel with a gunshot wound to his head. Fontnel was in critical but stable condition when he was transported to St. Barnabas, but succumbed to his injuries on Sunday afternoon at 3:43 p.m. Three arrests were made in connection to the shooting: Hector Santos, 32; Ruben Velez, 28, and Hector Lebron, 41. The charges against the three arrestees are being updated following Fontnel's passing.

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## In the news



### Subway stop proposed for Mayor Ed Koch

Rep. Carolyn Maloney wants one more thing named after former mayor Ed Koch — the 6 train station at 77th Street. The congresswoman said yesterday outside the 77th Street stop that the mayor should be honored by having his favorite stop named after him. Maloney sent a letter to the MTA, which does not usually name subway stations after people.

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## News in brief

### Cuomo plans to purchase beachfront property after Sandy

Gov. Andrew Cuomo feels so strongly about not rebuilding in risky waterfront areas that he is willing to purchase the property.

The governor plans to use hundreds of millions of dollars in federal funds to buy beachfront homes and transform them into unde-



▶ Gov. Cuomo plans to use hundreds of millions in federal funds to purchase risky waterfront property.

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veloped coastline.

Cuomo mentioned the plan in his State of the State address last month, among plans for making New York

better prepared for storms.

"There are some places where people may choose not to build back," he said in his speech. "We want to

run a program that will provide the funds to buy out those homeowners who don't want to rebuild and want to move on to higher ground, literally."

He has stressed that New Yorkers should be careful about rebuilding, suggesting that if they do decide to build again on the waterfront, they should do so with houses, for example, on stilts.

But for some areas, he envisions no homes at all.

For people who are willing, he would offer to buy their homes at the pre-

storm value.

Ultimately, the land would become vacant, possibly with dunes and wetlands that would enforce storm protections.

Environmental Conservation Department Commissioner Joseph Martens spoke about the plans today in Albany, Bloomberg reported, saying that the property would be maintained as open space.

The governor has also suggested roll-down doors for subways and bolstering the harbor. METRO/AB



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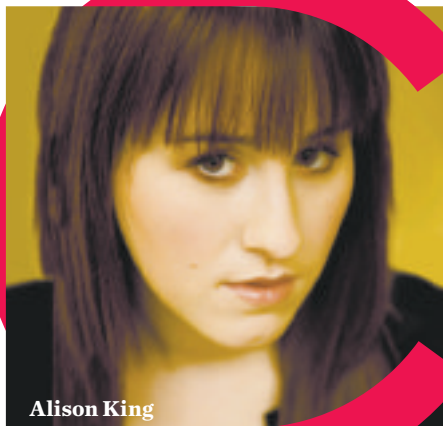
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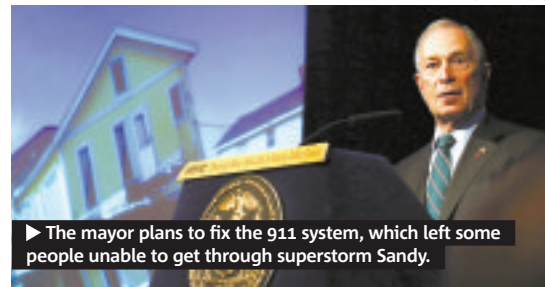
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# Bloomberg plans fixes to 911 system

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► The mayor plans to fix the 911 system, which left some people unable to get through superstorm Sandy.

The city is working on overhauling the 911 system.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg is planning to fix the system, according to the New York Post.

The 911 system has had its share of critics, most recently with people unable to get through during Hurricane Sandy.

City officials defended the system at a recent council hearing, saying that the 911 operations

system itself works but that other technological glitches did not let calls through.

Bloomberg will eliminate the glitch causing problems with emergency-response times, according to the Post. Right now, calls go to the NYPD, and they have to transfer to the FDNY if ambulance help for a fire is needed.

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## Protest. Guns



WILLIAM ALATRISTE

Students from Spence and Dalton schools in Manhattan held a rally yesterday in City Hall Park to support the ban of assault rifles and place the spotlight on recent gun violence. ● METRO

## News in brief

### College lecture incites ire of councilmembers

City officials, including 10 city councilmembers, are denouncing an upcoming lecture being hosted by the Brooklyn College political science department that will feature Omar Barghout as a speaker. Barghout is the co-founder of a movement

that calls for boycotts, divestment and sanctions on Israel. The Daily News reported that Barghout has compared Israelis to Nazis.

The lecture is slated for this Thursday evening. Brooklyn College President Karen Gould has refused to cancel the event, arguing that controversial discussions are "a centuries-old practice on university campuses around the country."

● METRO/DT



# New York-sized goodbye for iconic former mayor Koch

- Friends, luminaries pay tribute to Ed Koch
- Bloomberg offers condolences from the city
- 'New York, New York' serves as farewell music



The former mayor's funeral was open to the public, and a line formed down the street.

Cuomo and Clinton arrive.

Politicians, friends and a grandniece and grandnephew spoke at the funeral of former mayor Ed Koch yesterday morning. The funeral began at 11 a.m., with generations of his family members sharing memories.

Former President Bill Clinton and Mayor Michael Bloomberg were among those who heaped praise on the former mayor.

Clinton held up letters he said Koch wrote when he was president, imploring him to act on a range of issues such as gun control.

Bloomberg appeared to get choked up at times, beginning by saying, "I come today with the love and condolences of 8.4 million New Yorkers who really are grieving with you."

He added, "Ed, on the

other hand, has got to be loving all this attention."

He lauded Koch's ability to take on affordable housing while leading the city in arts, culture and equal rights. Bloomberg also spoke about some of the advice Koch gave.

"He said, 'Be yourself, say what you believe and don't worry about what

## Quoted

**"No mayor has ever embodied the spirit of New York City like he did, and I don't think anyone ever will."** BLOOMBERG

people think," Bloomberg said. "And God knows he didn't worry about it."

Many spoke about Koch's love for the city, saying he never wanted to be anywhere else. Once, Bloomberg said, former mayor Koch was asked if there was another place he could see himself.

"The only place I would ever accept is heaven," Bloomberg recounted him saying. He added, invoking the Koch's signature question, "It's not hard to picture Ed getting up to heaven, meeting God and saying to God with a big smile, 'How'd I do?'"

His coffin was carried out to a soft musical rendition of "New York, New York."

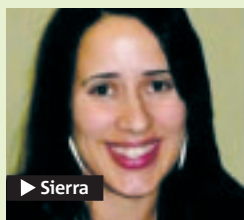


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loved her children.  
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## Brooklyn man dies in stabbing

Police reported that a Brooklyn man died after being stabbed in the leg. According to the NYPD, Anthony Dash, 39, was stabbed in his left leg on Feb. 1 in Brooklyn. He was taken to the hospital, but he died yesterday morning from the injury, NYPD said. ● METRO/AB



► Sierra

## In the news

### Family mourns SI mom

STATEN ISLAND. The children of the Staten Island woman found murdered in Turkey do not yet know their mother is dead, the family said yesterday. Sarai Sierra was found killed in Turkey, where she was a tourist, over the weekend.

The family had been frantically searching for her when her body was discovered in an old part of Istanbul. Her mother spoke to reporters, describing her as a fun-loving woman who

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## BSA board will discuss an end to ban on gays

Boy Scouts of America board members will meet this week to debate ending a controversial national ban on gay membership, prompting groups both for and against the move to converge on its Texas head-

quarters for demonstrations.

The national executive board, which lists more than 70 members, is expected to vote tomorrow — the last day of a three-day meeting — on whether to lift the ban they had reaffirmed just last year amid criticism from gay-rights groups and gay former Scouts and Scout leaders.

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# In the news

## Ahmadinejad is ready to be first Iranian in space

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said yesterday he was ready to be the first human sent into orbit by Iran's fledgling space program, the country's media reported.

Iran declared last week that it had successfully launched a monkey into space and retrieved it alive, which officials hailed as a major step toward their



goal of sending humans into space.

The launch added to Western concerns about Iran's space program because the same rocket technology could potentially be used to deliver a nuclear warhead on a ballistic missile. REUTERS

# NFL: Beyonce show didn't cause Super Bowl outage

The National Football League was still working with New Orleans officials yesterday to determine what caused the power outage at Sunday's Super Bowl at the Superdome, so far dismissing any connection with the Beyonce halftime show.

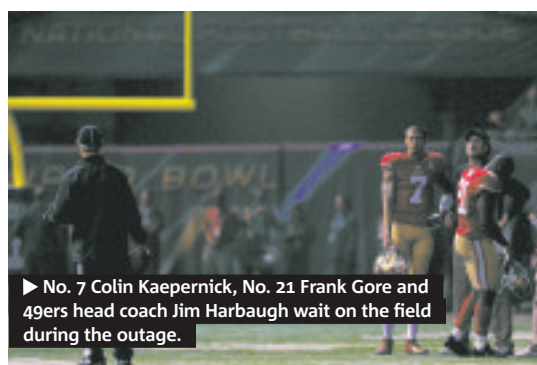
With a record U.S. television audience watching along with viewers in 180 countries, about half the stadium lights went dark early in the second half of the game, in which the Baltimore Ravens defeated the San Francisco 49ers, 34-31.

NFL commissioner Roger Goodell told reporters yesterday that an investigation was under way to determine the cause of the 35-minute disruption — but one possible explanation had already been eliminated.

"There's no indication at all that this was caused



Beyonce performs during the Pepsi Super Bowl XLVII halftime at the Mercedes-Benz Superdome in New Orleans.



No. 7 Colin Kaepernick, No. 21 Frank Gore and 49ers head coach Jim Harbaugh wait on the field during the outage.

"I know that's out there, that Beyonce's ... show had something to do with it. That is not the case."

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by the halftime show," Goodell said.

Entergy Corp., the utility providing power to the Superdome, said its distribution and transmission feeders were serving the arena at all times.

Early indications were that the outage resulted from an abnormality in the Superdome's power system, but it was too early to speculate on what went wrong, said Doug Thornton, senior vice president of the Superdome's management company, SMG. REUTERS

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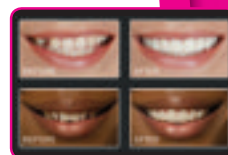
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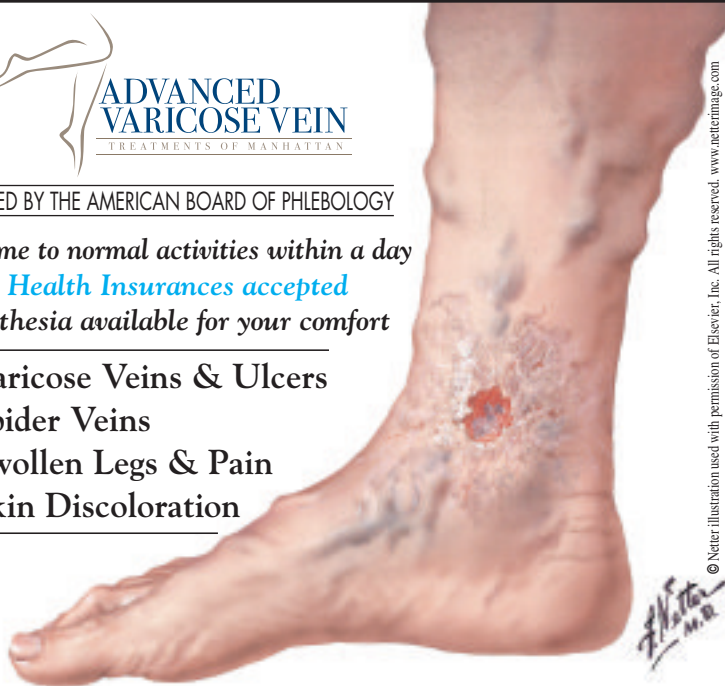




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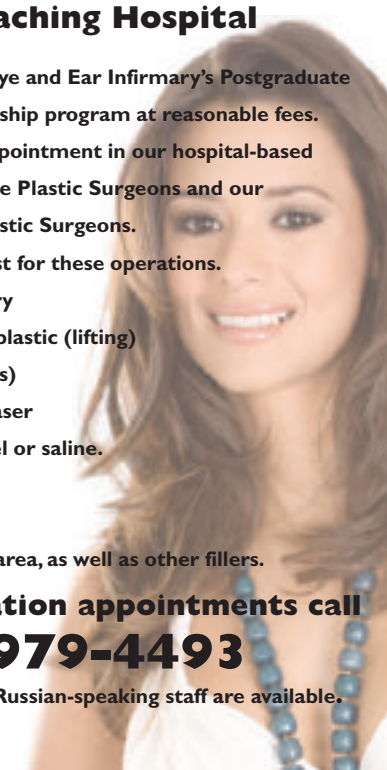
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## Holmes back on the market

**Katie Holmes** is reportedly ready to start dating again after her split from **Tom Cruise**, but sources say the fallout from their divorce is having an effect on her, according to Radar Online. "Katie's in a dilemma because she wants to date but is concerned where it could lead to from there," a

source says. "She's worried that if she commits herself fully to another man, she will have to give up the freedom she's enjoying so much at the moment. As a single woman, she has no one controlling her nowadays, telling her what to do or who to see — and she absolutely loves it.

However, at the same time, she also misses being with someone special to share experiences with, and she doesn't want to be alone for the rest of her life."

Don't worry, Katie. Metro has a few suggestions for a new waltz partner for this new phase of your life:

**1. John Mayer:** Because everyone hooks up with John Mayer.

**2. Joshua Jackson:** Wouldn't a "Dawson's Creek" reunion be better as a reality show?

**3. Samantha Ronson:** What better way for Stella to get her groove back?

**4. Danny DeVito:** She does have a thing for older, shorter guys, right?

**5. Ted the talking teddy bear:** That bear made half a billion dollars at the box office, and Katie needs serious box office help.



Actually, it doesn't matter who Katie Holmes dates.

The real question is: Who will be at Suri's playdates?



### The feed ...

► *Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.*

Today, Jessica Alba is feeling violated, Liam Payne is channeling Justin Timberlake, Dana Delaney is feeling overwhelmed and Will Arnett is desperate for attention.

**@jessicaalba:** I'm so annoyed w my account getting hacked!

**@Real\_Liam\_Payne:** As long as I got my suit an tie

**@DanaDelaney:** How do you possibly pack for a 1 month PR trip? I need a valet.

**@arnettwill:** RT Follow me. I'm Will Arnett, for god's sake.

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# Beyonce's Super Bowl look, in numbers

Queen B was supposed to be a Norse warrior goddess. Sartorially, that meant little strips of iguana, python and leather — with knee socks. And she pulled it off! Here's what went into 15 minutes of Super Bowl greatness.

1

**Designer:** Rubin Singer seems like a bit of a dark horse. But in fact, he's been dressing celebrities for years now. His clients include Alicia Keys, Lucy Liu, Queen Latifah and Heidi Klum.

**Inspiration:** Singer based the costumes on Valkyrie, the hypersexual goddess of warfare from Norse mythology known for randomly selecting men on the battlefield to die.

2

**Stylists:** Yes, Beyonce is so major it takes two people to dress her. Singer had to present his ideas in storyboards to Beyonce's two stylists Raquel Smith and Ty Hunter right before Thanksgiving to get a green

light. He spent the holidays working on what would be his biggest career gig to date.

123

**Number of performers** who Rubin had to dress, including Beyonce, Michelle Williams and their back-up dancers

200

**Hours:** 14 garment workers spent that long creating the costumes.

5

**Fittings:** The number of tries it took Singer and team to get the clothes exactly right

**Kenya Hunt**  
METRO WORLD NEWS

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**Animals:** Beyonce's tiny little dress was made of python, iguana and stitched leather.



► Beyonce's look was based on Norse warrior, Valkyrie.

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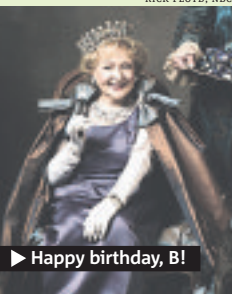
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RICK FLOYD, NBC



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### 'Betty White's Second Annual 90th Birthday Special'

**SPECIAL.** A variety show featuring Bill Clinton, Sarah Silverman, Katie Couric and more will make you feel better about the fact that you'll never be as dazling as entertainment's favorite nonagenarian. **8 p.m., NBC**

### 'Nikki and Sara Live'

**TALK SHOW.** Here's the second episode of the show

featuring seasoned stand-ups Nikki Glaser and Sara Schaefer. Based on their popular podcast, the show highlights their wit and style. **11 p.m., MTV**

### 'New Girl'

**COMEDY.** Check in on one of TV's best "will-they-or-won't-they" couples. Series recap so far: They might. **9 p.m., Fox**

### 'Doomsday Preppers'

**REALITY.** Follow those who obsess over worst-case scenarios, and see how they're planning to outwit disaster. You'll feel awfully smug until four horsemen pop up. **9 p.m., NGC**

### 'The Sisterhood'

**REALITY.** TLC is a trashy, voyeuristic and utterly watchable reality juggernaut. Chat about this series on preachers' wives at the water cooler, but maintain your dignity by claiming you were just flipping channels. **8 p.m., TLC**

● NATALIE SHURE

# The unknown Joy Division revealed in new memoir

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► Peter Hook, pictured at right playing with Ian Curtis in 1979, will be at Book Revue (313 New York Ave., Huntington, N.Y.) on Wednesday at 7 p.m.



ate, I can't say that I recognize it completely."

"Unknown Pleasures" is rife with demystifying tales of a band on tour for the first time. At one point, singer Ian Curtis, whose brooding image would later feature heavily into goth iconography, is giggling at glimpsing a woman changing backstage. The band

constantly played practical jokes on one another and on other bands. But while Hook's book rides the narrative arc of a band finding their identity, the author also comes to terms with signs he should have picked up on indicating Curtis was in trouble. On a roller coaster of prescription drugs to treat his epilepsy, Curtis killed himself on a Saturday night when the band were about to embark on their first U.S. tour that Monday.

"He must have gotten to the point on Saturday night that he decided he couldn't cope anymore," says Hook. "I was with him on Friday and he was absolutely f—ing fine. But that was the thing in Joy Division; it wasn't as if he was laying in the corner, begging for help. He was quite normal."

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## Andrews on a real princess

We ask Andrews what she thinks of her real princess, Kate Middleton and she is, of course, nothing but gracious. "I think she's terrific. I mean, I can't imagine what she's going through in the limelight having a baby right now," she says. "They seem to be a very happy couple, and I'm so glad for them because they probably need each other very much." When we suggest she put a few of her books in the mail to Middleton once she has her baby, Andrews laughs. "Well, who knows? I guess it depends on what they have. You never know!"

# Julie Andrews: The princess diaries

- The legendary performer on the new chapter in her life, being a best-selling children's author
- Writing is now where her heart is
- Speaking of princesses, what about Kate?

The legendary Julie Andrews has worn many artistic hats — all to great acclaim. Her latest, that of a children's book author, is no different.

"To date, my daughter Emma and I have done about 27 books together — that's a real joy for me," she says in her unmistakable British lilt, calling from her home in Long Island.

"The Very Fairy Princess Follows Her Heart" is the latest installment in the Very Fairy Princess series that she produces with her daughter, Emma Walton Hamilton, and Christine

**"We wanted to make her not really an anti-fairy princess, but one who is more of a tomboy."**

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Davenier, who illustrates the series.

Their inspiration? To set their main character, the lively Geraldine, apart from the more stereotypical literary princesses out there.

"We wanted to make her not really an anti-fairy princess, but one who is more of a tomboy," says

Andrews. "Geraldine's got her socks about her ankles but she's convinced she's a fairy princess. And most of the time, she convinces everyone else that she is one, too."

"The Very Fairy Princess Follows Her Heart" tags along with Geraldine as she handcrafts valentines for her class. Because of a mix-up, she gets to school without them. By the end of the story, she saves the day by telling each of her classmates what makes them "sparkle in her eyes and heart," explains Andrews.

What makes Andrews' "heart sparkle" is writing



► Andrews' will sign her new book at 3:30 p.m. today at the Bank Street Bookstore, 610 West 112th St., 212-678-1654.

the series with her daughter.

"I mean, I do a lot of other things. I tour, I speak and do the occasional film, so I'm a little bit all over the place," she explains. "But what I'd call my day

job these days — and my joy — is writing. It's certainly where my heart is right now in this phase of my life."



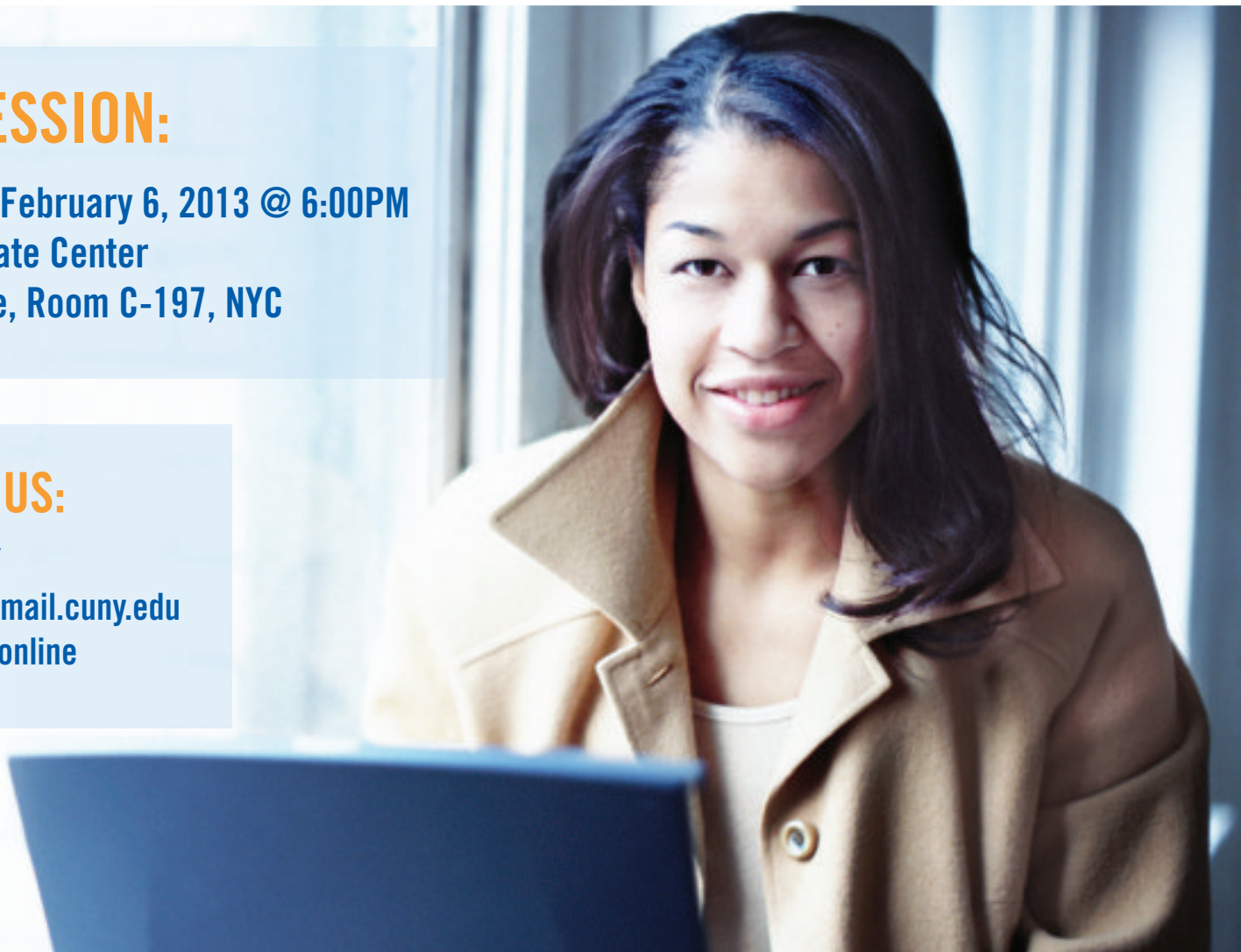
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# Type 1 diabetes rising in kids per new study

Cases of insulin-requiring type 1 diabetes rose sharply in children under the age of 5 in Philadelphia over a two-decade span — similar to increases seen across the U.S. and Europe, according to new research.

"Why are we seeing this large increase in type 1 diabetes in very young children? Unfortunately, the answer is that we don't know," said lead study author Terri Lipman, a professor at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing.

In research published in *Diabetes Care*, Lipman and her colleagues updat-



► Type 1 diabetes, previously known as juvenile diabetes, can be fatal if left untreated.

ed a registry started in 1985 of Philadelphia children diagnosed with type 1 diabetes.

By 2004, cases in children under the age of 5 increased by 70 percent as the number of diagnosed cases among all kids up to age 14 rose by 29 percent. In 2004, the rate was 17.2 cases per 100,000.

Type 1, previously known as juvenile diabetes, typically strikes children whose immune systems have killed off insulin-producing cells in the pancreas. The disease can be fatal if left untreated.

Type 1 diabetes tends to start in adolescence — but especially in light of the rising number of cases in very young children, experts say parents need to be aware that toddlers and preschoolers are also susceptible. **REUTERS**

## The symptoms of diabetes

"It is important to be aware of the symptoms of diabetes," Laffel told Reuters Health.

► Symptoms can include extreme thirst, bed

wetting, accidents in toilet-trained children or excessively wet diapers in babies, she said. By the time the disease gets diagnosed, many infants and toddlers are very sick. The degree of illness tends to be more severe the younger the patient, experts noted.

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## Horoscope

♈ Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 19. Involvements with authority figures will work out in your favor, whether they were deliberately orchestrated or occur by happenstance.

♉ Pisces Feb. 20-March 20. Establish some definite objectives for the day, but keep them private. You'll find that you will perform far more effectively if you don't have to justify your intentions to others.

♈ Aries March 21-April 19. Certain knowledge you recently acquired can be used constructively on a current project. You can not only better your own lot in life, but improve things for associates as well.

♉ Taurus April 20-May 20. Take the reins, because your leader-

ship abilities can be a critical factor in revitalizing a joint endeavor that has been going downhill. Your new direction can produce success.

♊ Gemini May 21-June 20. It looks like balance and harmony can be restored in a situation that has become increasingly unsettling. Your efforts, coupled with another's, will be responsible for the improvement.

♊ Cancer June 21-July 22. Certain things that have been impossible to handle on your own can be achieved with the help of surrogates if you motivate them properly. Make sure they can benefit as well.

♊ Leo July 23-Aug. 22. A partnership arrangement can become far more productive if you provide the initiative and let the other person serve as a backup. It could be totally up

to you to rev the engines.

♊ Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22. A number of important assignments you've been unable to conclude satisfactorily can be finalized by prioritizing them and then knocking them off one at a time.

♊ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23. Your popularity is peaking right now, and the impression you're making in your social encounters is favorable and lasting. You'll not find a better time to circulate and make new friends.

♊ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22. Financial trends are far more favorable than they might be tomorrow. If you're involved in something that could spell profit, every minute counts.

♊ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21. You'll not only be a fast thinker, but you should also be able to express yourself in

an eloquent and effective manner.

♊ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19. A venture in which you're presently involved looks like it could be turned into a financial winner, even though you might have to use a slightly different approach than you normally would.

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## Across

- 1 Use solder
- 5 Insurgent
- 10 Good for Caesar
- 14 Face-to-face exam
- 15 Loan-sharking
- 16 Nay opposites
- 17 Valhalla honcho
- 18 D.C. consumer advocate
- 19 Corner
- 20 Dutch exports
- 22 Rainwater catcher
- 24 Nope
- 25 Draw with acid
- 26 Seemly
- 30 "Gunsmoke" doc
- 35 Incan treasure
- 36 Apt. units
- 37 Gymnast's stickum
- 38 Sells off
- 41 Beach hazard
- 43 Actress — Davis
- 44 Bon Jovi of rock
- 45 Ripen
- 46 Banana oil, e.g.
- 47 Comfy chair
- 50 Does something
- 53 Freedom, briefly
- 54 Terrestrial
- 58 Lofty goals
- 62 Road map info
- 63 Heart or liver
- 66 Uprising
- 67 Security lapse
- 68 Demi or Dudley
- 69 "— — Excited"
- 70 Terminates
- 71 Like tartan
- 72 Aboard ship

## Down

- 1 Tootsy
- 2 Pakistan's language
- 3 Ride a windjammer
- 4 Warm ocean current (2 wds.)
- 5 Give out (2 wds.)
- 6 NASA counterpart
- 7 Leaf-to-be
- 8 Construct
- 9 Sheet-music line
- 10 Cotton stuffing
- 11 Fictional governess
- 12 Within reach
- 13 Cable channel
- 21 — for the course
- 23 Like a tack
- 25 Slalom run
- 26 Be evasive
- 27 Senecas' enemies
- 28 Feel envious
- 29 Verbal stumbles
- 31 Pixel
- 32 Flu strain
- 33 Gnat
- 34 Vile smile
- 39 Compass pt.
- 40 Bernhardt of the stage
- 41 Caviar, actually
- 42 Tending toward
- 44 Next year's grads
- 48 "Put a — on it!"
- 49 Spain and Portugal
- 51 Walk heavily
- 52 Innsbruck locale
- 54 Whodunit name
- 55 Nefertiti's god
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## Letters

## Americans used to agree that freedom to own guns didn't preclude safety

RE: "YOU CAN'T VOTE VIOLENCE OUT OF OFFICE" (METRO, FEB. 4) Letter writer Marcus DeForest argues that we can't end violence until society has a change of values.

That's like arguing we should not have laws against burglary, because it still occurs, or safety laws for cars and highways, because accidents still occur.

The Constitution gives us the right to bear arms, but also the right of self-government — e.g., safety rules. In the 1940s and '50s, the NRA agreed that safety rules for guns and gun sales were reasonable.

Now the NRA gun lobby is funded by corporations that make guns.

They spread fear about safety rules. They say rules won't help. We don't need assault weapons, high capacity magazines or cop-killer bullets.

HARRY THORN, VIA E-MAIL

I began reading Marcus

DeForest's letter thinking "Great, a reasonable, insightful approach."

But then I read the statement: "The argument that guns kill people is logically akin to saying spoons made me fat."

What? We have to agree that guns are built to fire bullets. Into people. To hurt them. Yes, there are hunting rifles and marksmanship is an Olympic sport, but what we're dealing with is military weapons designed to kill people rapidly. That's the issue.

These guns and also incidentally bullets designed for maximum carnage did not exist when the Constitution and Second Amendment were written.

Neither were cars or nuclear power plants. That doesn't mean they can't be regulated. They must be regulated.

That's the argument. The NRA and its apologists oppose some clearly needed regulations on who can own and sell and profit from the kind of guns and ammo that have only one purpose — killing a lot of people. That's it. And finally, the NRA has to lose one, their campaign money be damned.

PAUL SIMONS, VIA E-MAIL

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# What could have been

► Dwight Howard makes his Lakers debut in Brooklyn ► Deron Williams brushes aside offseason move ► Team happy with Lopez

A year ago, many thought Deron Williams would be picking up assists feeding the ball into the low post for Dwight Howard.

It would have been a uniting of two friends, except it seems the All-Star players aren't nearly as close now as in December 2011 when they had dinner in Orlando, Fla., with visions of Williams' passes being turned into Howard's dunks.

"Not really," Williams said after practice yesterday when asked if he had spoken to Howard recently. "We haven't talked as much as we had before everything went on. I don't know what the reason is."

The pairing never happened because Howard was traded to the Lakers in a four-team deal over the summer after Nets general manager Billy King's offer



► Dwight Howard could have played 41 games in Brooklyn each season. Instead he'll play just one.

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Nets vs. Lakers  
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of Brook Lopez, Kris Humphries, Marshon Brooks and four first-

round picks was rebuffed.

Instead, Williams is approaching his 5,000th career assist with Brook Lopez in the post instead of Howard.

"I don't think like that," Williams said. "We're hap-

## Howard still questionable

The last time the Nets faced Dwight Howard, he had 23 points and 15 rebounds in a 95-90 Los Angeles win.

With Howard dealing with a shoulder injury, Pau Gasol could end up filling the post tonight.

"He looks good whether he's playing center or whether he's playing [the] four," head coach P.J. Carlesimo said. ● METRO/LF

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Total assists for Deron Williams in his career — 1,504 as a member of the Nets

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## In the news

### Callahan back at practice, not ready to play

The Rangers got their captain back on the ice yesterday. But he won't be playing in a game just yet.

Ryan Callahan skated in yesterday's morning session, but did so wearing a yellow, non-contact jersey.



► Callahan

Callahan dislocated his left shoulder in a scrap with Pittsburgh's Max Talbot last Tuesday.

He told reporters he was "on track" for his original return date in about another week's time.

Callahan had 54 points last season for the Rangers and already had two goals in six games this season.

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## Metro's NBA power rankings | by Jimmy Toscano

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### SPURS (38-11)

San Antonio is winners of 10 in a row, but the better news is that an MRI found no structural damage in Tim Duncan's left knee or right ankle. They'll obviously need him to hoist the Larry O'Brien Trophy once again, now a realistic goal for this team. They're the new No. 1 for this week.



### THUNDER (35-12)

Consider the Thunder the latest victim of stone-cold killer Kyrie Irving. Irving dropped 35 points on them Saturday night, handing Oklahoma City its fourth loss in seven games heading into last night.



### HEAT (30-14)

Miami is coming dangerously close to dropping out of the top spot in the East, but it started a five-game home stretch against the Bobcats on Monday. Here's guessing all will be right come next Monday.



### CLIPPERS (34-15)

This much we know: The Clippers are going nowhere without point guard Chris Paul. They've lost six of their last eight with him on the sidelines nursing a bum knee. Would Kevin Garnett help? Obviously, but Paul must be healthy this spring.



### NUGGETS (30-18)

If you're looking for the NBA's best "team" (i.e. one with no superstar), take a look toward Denver. The Nuggets are on a roll, having won six in a row. They've lost just four games total since Christmas.



### GRIZZLIES (30-16)

The Grizzlies just finalized a trade that sent swingman Rudy Gay to Toronto in a three-team deal that got them Tayshaun Prince, Austin Daye and Ed Davis. It's a classic salary dump that doesn't improve the team.



### WARRIORS (30-17)

It's good to see that Stephen Curry's ankle sprain was a minor one. That dude deserves a break. Wait, poor choice of words there. They've got a tough back-to-back on the road starting tonight in Houston and then at the Thunder.



### KNICKS (30-15)

Credit where it's due: The Knicks manhandled the Kings on Saturday night, 120-81. They've won four in a row and have a manageable February schedule ahead of them. Could they be a No. 1 seed by the time March rolls around?



### NETS (28-19)

The Nets followed up a blowout loss to the Heat with a close win over the Bulls. That about sums up where they're at right now — a second-tier team in the East. Last week they were No. 8 in these rankings.



### BULLS (29-18)

Chicago has overcome the Derrick Rose injury up to this point in the season, but with All-Star Joakim Noah (plantar fasciitis) injured and Carlos Boozer (hamstring) iffy, they'll have a tough time grabbing wins this month.



### PACERS (28-19)

The Pacers rebounded nicely from three straight losses with two double-digit wins over the Pistons and Heat. It's the impressive victory over the Heat that will give them some confidence going forward.



### HAWKS (26-20)

It's getting to be "do-or-die" time for a Hawks team that could see its star, Josh Smith, traded away by the deadline. They face the Pacers tonight and the Grizzlies tomorrow. Don't worry, though, Hawks fans — Zaza Pachulia is staying put in the ATL.



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